

cause investigations to be made of bona fide complaints received regarding any such inspection station.

G. S. 20-183.6. Commissioner of Motor Vehicles Shall Establish Procedures. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall establish procedures for the control, distribution, sale, refund, and display of certificates and for the accounting for proceeds of their sale, consistent with this Article. It shall be unlawful knowingly to possess, affix, transfer, remove, imitate or reproduce an inspection certificate, except by direction of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles under the terms of this Article.

G. S. 20-183.7. Fees to be Charged by Safety Equipment Inspection Station. Every inspection station, except self inspectors as designated herein, shall charge a fee of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) for inspecting a motor vehicle to determine compliance with this Article and shall give the operator a receipt indicating the articles and equipment approved and disapproved; provided, that inspection stations approved by the Commissioner, and operated under rules, regulations and supervision of any governmental agency, when inspecting vehicles required to be inspected by such agencies' rules and regulations and by the provisions of this Act, may, upon approval by such inspection station and the payment of a fee of twenty-five cents (25¢), attach to the vehicle inspected a North Carolina inspection certificate as required by this Act. When the receipt is presented to the inspection station which issued it, at any time within ninety days, that inspection station shall re-inspect the motor vehicle free of additional charge until approved. When said vehicle is approved, and upon payment to the inspection station of the fee, the inspection station shall affix a valid inspection certificate to said motor vehicle, and said inspection station shall maintain a record of the motor vehicles inspected which shall be available for eighteen months. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall receive twenty-five cents (25¢) for each inspection certificate and these proceeds shall be placed in a fund designated the 'Motor Vehicle Safety Equipment Inspection Fund,' to be used under the direction and supervision of the Director of the Budget for the administration of this Article.

G. S. 20-183.8. Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to Issue Regulations Subject to the Approval of Governor; Penalties for Violation. (a) It is the intent of the Article that the provisions herein shall be carried out by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for the safety and convenience of the motoring public. The Commissioner shall have authority to promulgate only such regulations as are reasonably necessary for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this inspection program, but such regulations shall not be effective until the same have been approved by the Governor.

(b) Violation of any provision of this Article shall, upon conviction, be punishable by a fine not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) or imprisonment not to exceed thirty days, except that the unauthorized reproduction of an inspection certificate shall be punishable as a forgery under G. S. 14-119."

Sec. 2. Subsections (c) and (d) of G. S. 20-53, as the same appears in the 1963 Cumulative Supplement to Recompiled Volume 1C of the General Statutes, are hereby repealed effective on and after February 16, 1966.